

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed on December 29, 2004, the Examiner allowed claims 52-55, 60, 61, 66-69, 74 and 75 and rejected claims 56-58 and 70-72. Applicants have amended claims 56-58 and 70-72. Applicants have also added new claims 85-90. Support for the new claims can be found, for example, in claims 56-58 and 70-72.

Applicants have amended claims 56-58 to depend from allowed claim 52. Since claims 56-58 depend from an allowed claim (i.e., claim 52), claims 56-58 are in condition for allowance. Applicants have also added new claims 85-87 which include the same elements as set forth in claims 56-58. Claims 85-87 depend from allowed claim 54. Since claims 85-87 depend from an allowed claim (i.e., claim 54), claims 85-87 are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to argue the patentability of the elements as set forth in claims 56-58 and claims 85-87 in any continuing application or related application, for example.

Applicants have amended claims 70-72 to depend from allowed claim 66. Since claims 70-72 depend from an allowed claim (i.e., claim 66), claims 70-72 are in condition for allowance. Applicants have also added new claims 88-90 which include the same elements as set forth in claims 70-72. Claims 88-90 depend from allowed claim 68. Since claims 88-90 depend from an allowed claim (i.e., claim 68), claims 88-90 are in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to argue the patentability of the elements as set forth in claims 70-72 and claims 88-90 in any continuing application or related application, for example.

Claims 76-84 were previously withdrawn from consideration. Applicants have now cancelled claims 76-84 without prejudice. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to argue the patentability of the elements as set forth in claims 76-84 in any continuing application or related application, for example.

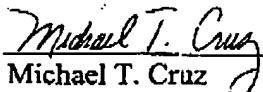
Applicants respectfully submit that all the pending claims (i.e., claims 52-58, 60, 61, 66-72, 74, 75 and 85-90) are in condition for allowance.

Should anything remain in order to expedite the issuance of the present application, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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